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- (1) Statement specified in paragraph 37 CFR 1.97(e), and
- (2) Fee as set forth in 1.17(p).


Applicant has failed to meet requirement (1), supra. An international search report is noted, but that search report is dated 1/11/2005, which is more than the 3 months set forth in 37 CFR 1.97(e)(1). Additionally, applicant does not state that the international application was a COUNTERPART foreign/international application. Mere "related application" does not suffice.

Therefore, the IDS is untimely, and it cannot be granted entry or consideration.

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